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Experts have projected	strong growth and demand for long-term care services as i

Herseth Sandlin	said, "As someone who has considered the long-term health need
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Herseth Sandlin	pointed to statistics demonstrating the increased growth and dem
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	The Department	of Health and Human Services has reported that approxima
-	The Government	Accountability Office has reported projections of significant
_	And our Nation's	long-term care challenges will have a particularly significan
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However, despite these growth projections, studies show that many Americans ha

For instance, a 2006 AARP survey on the cost of long-term care found that 60 per

And private-pay costs for this kind of care continue to go up. In South Dakota, the

Herseth Sandlin added, "An essential step in meeting the challenges posed by lon

Herseth Sandlin's resolution recognizing November 4-10 as Long-Term Care Awa

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